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**Introduced by Senator Speier**

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An act to add Section 22500.2 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 810, as introduced, Speier. Parking: driveways.

Existing law generally prohibits a person from stopping, parking, or leaving a vehicle whether attended or unattended on any portion of a sidewalk, with the body of the vehicle extending over any portion of the sidewalk, except certain electric carts authorized by ordinance.

This bill would authorize a city or county by ordinance, to permit parking on a portion of a sidewalk, or with the body of the vehicle extending over a portion of a sidewalk, if the ordinance allows a vehicle to park only in a residential driveway, applies only to parking of vehicles between darkness, as defined, and 8 a.m., except that a vehicle displaying special license plates or a distinguishing placard is not subject to the time limitation, and limits the parking in a manner that maintains at least 5 feet of uninterrupted and straight sidewalk either behind or in front of the vehicle, as prescribed.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 22500.2 is added to the Vehicle Code,
- 2 to read:
- 3 22500.2. Notwithstanding subdivision (f) of Section 22500, a
- 4 local authority may by ordinance permit parking on a portion of

- 1 a sidewalk, or with the body of the vehicle extending over a  
2 portion of a sidewalk, if the ordinance provides the following:
- 3 (a) Allows a vehicle to park only in a residential driveway.
- 4 (b) Applies only to parking of vehicles between darkness and  
5 8 a.m., except that a vehicle displaying special license plates  
6 issued under Section 5007 or a distinguishing placard issued  
7 under Section 22511.55 or 22511.59 is allowed to park for  
8 unlimited periods.
- 9 (c) Limits the parking in a manner that maintains at least five  
10 feet of sidewalk, either behind or in front of the vehicle, between  
11 the front or rear of the vehicle and the furthest usable edge of the  
12 sidewalk, and if the path that includes that portion of the  
13 sidewalk and the sidewalk on either side is continuous and  
14 straight.